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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision mailed August 29, 2001 of the Primary Examiner rejecting claims 1-30.

Applicants hereby authorize that the required filing fee of \$320.00 under 37 CFR 1.17(e) be charged to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #852/48375).

This paper should also be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time (calculated as one month - \$110) sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any such fee or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #852/48375).

Respectfully submitted,

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